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STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES 21 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

Date: October 29, 2020

To: Town of Cutler, Municipal Officials and Allan Fitzhenry and Brian Cates, Harbormasters

Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of the aquaculture lease site

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From: Department of Marine Resources (DMR) Aquaculture Division

Re: Notice of Completed Renewal Application and Comment Period

The DMR has received a completed lease renewal application for the existing lease site described below:

Lease Acronym	MACH CI2	
Applicant	Cooke Aquaculture USA, Inc.	
Culture Type	☑ Bottom culture (No gear)	
Species	☑ Shellfish ☐ Marine alg	gae ⊠Finfish □Other
Location, Waterbody, Town	Northwest side of Cross Island, Machias Bay, Cutler	
Lease Renewal Request:	44.7 Acres	Renewal Term: 20 Years
Comment Period Deadline and Submission	No later than 4:00 p.m. on December 4, 2020	DMR Attn: Aquaculture Division 21 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0021 DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

COMMENT PERIOD: DMR announces a **30-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments or request a public hearing on the application. A hearing is optional for lease renewal applications unless DMR receives five or more written requests from interested persons during the comment period. Please submit written comments by mail or email to the address provided above by the deadline.

VIEW THE APPLICATION: To view a copy of the completed application, please visit: https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/pending/index.html

Relevant Authority: The legal authority for this notice is 12 MRSA §6072(12) and DMR Rules Chapter 2.45.

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